

### **§ A-1. List of legislative acts accepted.**

The following is a list of the legislative acts accepted by the Town of Braintree:

<b>Date Accepted</b>	<b>Statutory Reference</b>	<b>Subject</b>
	Ch. 217, Acts of 1885	Water supply
	Ch. 548, Acts of 1898	Voting precincts; ballots
	MGL c. 11	Precinct voting
	MGL c. 28	Public parks
	Ch. 423, Acts of 1909	Ice cream sales
	Ch. 546, Acts of 1910	Sewage system
	Ch. 306, Acts of 1911	Smelts
	Ch. 494, Acts of 1911	Eight-hour day
	Ch. 503, Acts of 1912	Pensioning laborers
	Ch. 635, Acts of 1912	Tenement houses
	Ch. 807, Acts of 1913	Workmen's compensation
	Ch. 217, Acts of 1914	Laborers' vacations
	Ch. 688, Acts of 1914	Saturday half holiday
	Ch. 790, Acts of 1914	Party enrollment
	Ch. 807, Acts of 1914	Workmen's compensation
	Ch. 311, Acts of 1919	Continuation schools
	MGL c. 48, §§ 42 to 44	Fire Department
	Ch. 55, Acts of 1922	Louis N. Goodhue
	MGL c. 143, §§ 3 to 12	Inspection of buildings
	MGL c. 31, § 49	Police and chief, civil service
	MGL c. 32, § 85	Police and firemen
	Ch. 391, Acts of 1923	Water rates
	MGL c. 139, §§ 1 to 3	Burned or dangerous buildings
	MGL c. 41, § 73	Board of Survey
	MGL c. 32, § 77B	Pensions
	MGL c. 82, § 37	Building lines
	Ch. 63, Acts of 1929	Day off for police officers
	Ch. 15, Acts of 1930	Reserve police force

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	Ch. 17, Acts of 1930	Construction of sewage system
	MGL c. 136	Sunday sports
	Ch. 45, Acts of 1936	Sewers
	Ch. 406, Acts of 1936	"Laborers, workmen and mechanics" includes all Town employees regardless of nature of duties, except fire and police
	MGL c. 32, §§ 26 to 31H	Contributory retirement fund
	Ch. 17, Acts of 1937	Representative form of Town government
	MGL c. 41, § 103	Purchasing Department
	MGL c. 94, § 120A	Additional fees for slaughtering
	MGL c. 147, § 16B	Police Department, 1 day off in 6
	Ch. 391, § 1, Acts of 1945	Damages for public employees
	Ch. 723, Acts of 1945	Department of Veterans' Services
	MGL c. 136, § 4B, as inserted by Ch. 207, § 4B, Acts of 1946	Licenses for bowling on the Lord's day
	Ch. 559, Acts of 1946	Retirement of police and firemen
	Ch. 576, § 6, Acts of 1946	Increased pensions for public employees
March 1949	Ch. 340, Acts of 1947	Planning Board; Subdivision Control Act
	Ch. 615, Acts of 1947	Increased pensions to employees and beneficiaries
	Ch. 588, Acts of 1948	Increased pensions to employees and beneficiaries

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	MGL c. 41, § 100A	Indemnification of officers and employees for damages or expenses arising out of injuries caused by the operation of vehicles or equipment owned by a municipality
	MGL c. 41, § 97A	Police Departments; Chief of Police
	Ch. 595, Acts of 1948	Police Department
	MGL c. 111, § 128	State regulations on public health
	Ch. 538, Acts of 1950	Repairs to private ways
	Ch. 757, Acts of 1950	Annuities to dependents of certain public employees killed, etc., in performance of duty
	Ch. 783, Acts of 1950	Increase in retirement allowances to persons retired after 1-1-1946, with a minimum allowance
	Ch. 820, Acts of 1950	Increase in certain benefits payable by commonwealth and its political subdivisions to certain former employees and persons claiming under them
	Ch. 41, § 110A, Acts of 1951	Any Town public office may remain closed on any and all Saturdays
	Ch. 41, § 97A, Acts of 1951, as amended by Ch. 130, § 52, Acts of 1951	Authorize Selectmen to regulate shell fisheries in Town
	Ch. 111, § 128, Acts of 1951	Accept State Department of Health regulations relative to minimum standards of fitness for human habitation

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	Ch. 781, Acts of 1951	Act relative to increasing pensions payable to certain former public employees
3-26-1951	MGL c. 45, § 14	Board of Parks and Playground Commissioners to consist of 7 elected and appointed members
4-14-1952	Ch. 32, § 89A, as amended by Ch. 227, Acts of 1951	Tenure of office members of Fire Department and Fire Alarm Department
	Ch. 54, § 103A, Acts of 1952	Absentee voting at Town elections
4-21-1952	Ch. 140, § 194, Acts of 1952	Licensing of boat rental business
	Ch. 166, § 32, Acts of 1953	Authorize Selectmen to establish wire inspection fee schedule
3-29-1954	Ch. 40, § 27A, Acts of 1954	Zoning changes cannot be reconsidered, after adverse vote, within 2 years except upon Planning Board recommendation
	Ch. 15, Acts of 1955	Transfer of Braintree Cemetery Association
	MGL c. 31, § 47B	School building janitors under civil service
3-5-1956 (Rescinded 5-11-1981)	MGL c. 31, § 47	Labor service under civil service
3-5-1956	MGL c. 32B	Provide group insurance plan
4-9-1956	MGL c. 78, § 10	Treasurer of library trust funds
3-20-1957	MGL c. 41, § 45	Board of Commissioners of Trust Funds
3-20-1957	Ch. 374, Acts of 1956	Providing certain pension options

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3-20-1957	Ch. 401, Acts of 1956	Civil defense volunteers classified
3-20-1957	MGL c. 41, § 1	3-year terms for Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector
3-24-1958	Ch. 750, Acts of 1957	Relative to election of pension options
3-28-1960	Ch. 493, Acts of 1959	Pensions and retirement allowances to certain former public employees
3-28-1960 (Rescinded 5-5-1981)	Ch. 628, Acts of 1953	Indemnification of certain retired police officers and firefighters for certain hospital, medical and surgical expenses
3-6-1961	Ch. 595, Acts of 1959	Town pays 1/2 of premium costs payable by retired employee for group life and health insurance
3-5-1962	MGL c. 48, § 58B	48-hour week for Fire Department
3-5-1962	Ch. 334, § 5, Acts of 1961	Town purchase of additional group life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance for employees
3-4-1963	Ch. 647, Acts of 1962	Extension of group health insurance to elderly retired from Town service and their dependents
3-19-1963	Ch. 409, Acts of 1962	Pedestrian control
3-19-1963	MGL c. 40, § 8C	Conservation Commission, 5 members
10-29-1963	MGL c. 41, § 1	Increase number of School Committee members to 7
3-2-1964	MGL c. 71, §§ 16 to 16I	Establishment of regional school district
3-18-1964	Ch. 58, Acts of 1963	First Parish Cemetery

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3-1-1965	MGL c. 41, § 1	Selectmen to act as Board of Public Welfare
3-18-1965	Ch. 486, Acts of 1964	Increasing pension and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees
3-18-1965	MGL c. 40, § 8C	Increase Conservation Commission membership from 5 to 7
3-19-1968	Ch. 670, Acts of 1960	Act requiring cities and towns to grant annuities to surviving spouse or children of certain officials or employees retired or pensioned under any noncontributory retirement law
3-16-1971	Ch. 635, Acts of 1945	Payment of advances in vacation pay to Town employees
1-31-1972	MGL c. 40, § 13	Establishment of municipal buildings insurance fund
3-20-1972	MGL c. 53, § 9A	Nomination papers for candidates for Town offices
3-21-1972	MGL c. 40, § 6B	Appropriation of money for purchases of uniforms for members of Police and Fire Departments
11-28-1972	Ch. 344, Acts of 1970	Relative to deposit in treasury of money received in payment for off-duty work by Police Department members
3-25-1974	Ch. 571, Acts of 1973	Authorizing domestic electric utilities to enter into a New England power pool agreement
3-26-1974	Ch. 430, Acts of 1967	Authorizing cities and towns to employ police cadets

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3-12-1975	MGL c. 90, § 20C	Regulating motor vehicle parking and authorizing Selectmen to establish by rule or regulation a fine schedule for offenses
3-12-1975	MGL c. 40, § 22D	Authorize Selectmen to adopt rules relative to towing of illegally parked vehicles in public ways
5-6-1975	MGL c. 83, § 17	Sewer assessments
5-24-1976	Ch. 775, Acts of 1975	Members of Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company
6-20-1978	MGL c. 40A, amended by Ch. 808, Acts of 1975	Further regulating zoning
5-9-1979	MGL c. 71, § 71E, as amended by Ch. 639, Acts of 1977	Appropriations for expenditures of receipts from adult education and continuing education programs
5-9-1979	Ch. 364, Acts of 1978	Act providing compensation of Town officers in connection with contributory retirement system
5-5-1981	MGL c. 41, § 100B	Rescinds the acceptance of referenced statute accepted 3-28-1960
5-11-1981	MGL c. 31	Rescinds the acceptance of referenced statute as it relates to the labor service
5-11-1981	MGL c. 148, § 26C	Requires apartment houses containing 6 or more dwelling units, hotels, boardinghouses or lodging houses to be equipped with automatic smoke or heat detectors

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5-11-1981	MGL c. 148, § 26E	Requiring buildings used for residential purposes to be equipped with approved smoke detectors
12-7-1981 (Rescinded 10-20-1997)	MGL c. 90, § 20A1/2, as amended by Ch. 351, Acts of 1981	Parking regulations and fines
5-9-1983	Ch. 641, § 20A, Acts of 1982	Indemnify Retirement Board
11-7-1983	MGL c. 60A, § 1, as amended by Ch. 597, Acts of 1982	Excise exemption for POW
11-26-1984	MGL c. 40, § 8J	Establish Handicapped Commission
11-28-1984	Ch. 288, Acts of 1984	Braintree Water and Sewer Reorganization Act of 1984
5-7-1985	MGL c. 32B, § 9D	Town pays 1/2 premium cost surviving spouse health insurance
11-4-1985	MGL c. 71, § 40, as amended by Ch. 188, Acts of 1985	Minimum teacher salaries
11-4-1985	MGL c. 32, § 20, Paragraph 4(c)	Authorize Selectmen to appoint contributory retirement member
11-4-1985	Ch. 188, § 13, Acts of 1985	Increasing teacher compensation
5-5-1986	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 5	Veterans' organization exemptions
5-12-1986	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clauses 17C and 37A to 41B (enacted by §§ 2, 3 and 5 of Ch. 653, Acts of 1982)	Real estate exemptions
5-12-1986	MGL c. 64G, § 3A	Hotel/motel excise; amended 8-11-2009 to increase local excise tax to 6%
10-6-1986	MGL c. 140, § 147A	Regulation of dogs



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1-28-1987	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 41C (enacted by § 3 of Ch. 73, Acts of 1986)	Tax abatement for the elderly
5-5-1987	MGL c. 40, § 4A	Hazardous material rescue vehicle
5-6-1987	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 50 (enacted by § 142 of Ch. 200, Acts of 1986)	Exempts certain residential improvements from property tax
5-6-1987	MGL c. 59, § 5 (enacted by § 1, Ch. 73, Acts of 1986)	Relief of revaluation for widows and aged
5-9-1988	Ch. 640, Acts of 1985, adding MGL c. 40, § 57	Authority of Town to deny any application for or revoke or suspend any local license or permit issued to any person for failure to pay any municipal charges
5-9-1988	Ch. 402, Acts of 1987, amending MGL c. 59	Tax collector – collecting interest
5-3-1989	MGL c. 44, § 53F	Compensating balance agreements
5-8-1989	MGL c. 148, § 26G	Installation of automatic sprinkler system
5-8-1989	MGL c. 148, § 26H	Automatic sprinkler system in lodging houses and boardinghouses
1-8-1990	MGL c. 41, § 41B	Direct bank deposits for Town employees
5-7-1990	MGL c. 148, § 56	Open air parking space
5-7-1990	MGL c. 40, § 13C	Reserves to pay workers' compensation
5-7-1990	MGL c. 44, § 53F, as amended by Ch. 454, Acts of 1989	Compensating balance agreement
5-8-1990	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 5B	Tax exemptions for VFW
5-9-1990	Ch. 642, Acts of 1989	Automatic sprinkler systems

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5-8-1991	Ch. 291, Acts of 1990	Enhanced 911
5-8-1991	MGL c. 40, § 8G	Mutual aid
5-13-1991	Ch. 245, Acts of 1988, amending MGL c. 41, § 81U	Bond – subdivision
5-13-1991	Ch. 254, Acts of 1990, amending MGL c. 32	Services beyond age 70
5-13-1991	Ch. 303, Acts of 1990	Water/sewer rehabilitation fund
10-7-1991	Ch. 653, § 41, Acts of 1989, adding MGL c. 59, § 57C	Quarterly tax bills
5-5-1992	MGL c. 32B, § 18	Requires municipal retirees to transfer to a Medicare extension plan offered by the Town
5-6-1992	MGL c. 32, § 22D	Establishing a funding schedule for the Town contributory retirement system
5-11-1992	MGL c. 262, § 34	New fee schedules for Town Clerk
10-26-1992	MGL c. 32B, § 2A	Traffic supervisors group health insurance
5-11-1993	MGL c. 44, § 53E1/2	Student transportation revolving fund
5-11-1993	MGL c. 44, § 53E1/2	Seniors activity revolving fund
5-9-1994	Ch. 71, § 83, Acts of 1993	Education Reform Act – early retirement
10-25-1994	MGL c. 40, § 8A	Economic Development Commission
5-1-1995	MGL c. 148, § 26H	Sprinklers in lodging houses and boardinghouses
10-29-1996	Ch. 71, Acts of 1996	Creditable retirement service for active service in the armed services

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5-5-1997	MGL c. 40, § 8E	Youth Commission establishment
10-20-1997	MGL c. 40, § 8G	Mutual aid agreements
10-20-1997	MGL c. 90, § 20A	Positive motion parking violations, rescinds acceptance dated 12-7-1981
5-26-1998	MGL c. 148, § 26I	Sprinklers, multifamily buildings
5-26-1998	MGL c. 32, § 103	Retirement Board (retirees—COLA)
10-27-1998	MGL c. 194, § 288	Retirement option
5-10-1999	MGL c. 40, § 3	Allow School Committee to expend ay unused balance remaining in the Rental or Lease Income Account for the upkeep and maintenance of any facility under the its control
5-17-1999	Ch. 456, §§ 2, 3, 4 and 5, Acts of 1998	Cost of living increase to members/survivors of noncontributory retirees
1-24-2000	MGL c. 32, § 103	Cost of living increase for retirees
5-8-2000	MGL c. 44, § 53E1/2	Council on Aging revolving fund
5-8-2000	MGL c. 44, § 53E1/2	Recycling Committee revolving fund
5-15-2000	MGL c. 41, § 108L	Modified Quinn Bill
5-14-2001	MGL c. 59, § 5K	Establish a program to allow persons over the age of 60 to volunteer to provide services to the Town in exchange for reduced property tax obligations

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5-14-2001	Ch. 411, Acts of 2000	Provide a pension allowance adjustment for noncontributory retirees who retired under MGL c. 32, § 58B, before 1-12-1998 and whose beneficiary predeceased them
10-23-2001	MGL c. 40, §§ 42A to 42F	Allow the Water and Sewer Departments to assess liens on properties of delinquent accounts
5-15-2002	Ch. 160, Acts of 2001	An Act Authorizing the Town of Braintree To Establish a Department of Public Works
10-8-2002	Ch. 116, § 6, Acts of 2002	Offer veterans who did not elect to purchase military service credit an additional 180 days to purchase such service credit
5-5-2003	MGL c. 40, § 22F	Allow local boards and officers to set reasonable fees for licenses, permits, certificates and services
5-3-2004	Ch. 181, § 1, Acts of 1995	Provide an annual increase in the amount of the real estate tax exemption granted to senior citizens and surviving spouses and minors in an amount equal to 3.5% of the cost of living adjustment of the prior year as determined by the Commissioner of Revenue, whichever is less
5-10-2004	Ch. 137, Acts of 2003	Protection of the salaries of certain public employees who served or are serving in the armed services

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5-3-2005	Ch. 133, Acts of 2005	An Act To Establish a Town Manager for the Town of Braintree
5-10-2005	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 41A	Maximum annual income limit of \$40,000 for persons 65 or older with regard to property tax deferral
5-10-2005	Ch. 653, § 40, Acts of 1989	Change effective date for new growth from January 1 to June 30 each year
10-25-2005	Ch. 189, Acts of 2005	An Act Establishing a Mayor/Town Council for the Town of Braintree
5-9-2006	Ch. 157, § 1, Acts of 2005	Provide veterans' benefit to accidental disability retirees
5-9-2006	Ch. 157, § 2, Acts of 2005	Provide retroactive veterans' benefits to certain accidental disability retirees
5-10-2006	MGL c. 40, § 4A	Authorize the Board of Health to enter into an intermunicipal mutual agreement
8-19-2008	MGL c. 44, § 64	Payment of bills incurred in excess of appropriations
9-23-2008	MGL c. 32B, § 19	Coalition bargaining over group health insurance (said acceptance is contingent upon the Town negotiating a written agreement with the Public Employee Committee)
8-11-2009	MGL c. 64G, § 3A	Amend 5-12-1986 vote to increase local excise tax from 4% to 6%
1-5-2010	Ch. 183, Acts of 2009	Extend the time period for the issuance of third quarter tax bills to 1-30-2010
8-17-2010	MGL c. 48, § 59A	Mutual aid agreements for joint fire and rescue services

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11-18-2010	MGL c. 41, § 100G1/4	Funeral benefits for police officers and firefighters
11-18-2010	MGL c. 41, § 91	Authorizing the Mayor to appoint constables
10-18-2011	MGL c. 32, § 101, as amended by Ch. 131, Acts of 2010	Increase allowance to widows of disabled public employees
2-28-2012	Ch. 134, Acts of 2008	Extend through fiscal year 2014
9-20-2012	MGL c. 54, § 16A	Authorizing Town Clerk to appoint Election Officers to fill vacancies
12-4-2012	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 41C	Adjusting the eligibility requirements within the limits of the statute
12-4-2012	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 41D	Authorizing annual increase in gross receipts and whole estate, real and personal
5-21-2013	MGL c. 64L, § 2	Impose local meals excise tax
10-6-2015	Ch. 134, Acts of 2008	Extend through fiscal year 2018
2-7-2017	MGL c. 39, § 23D	Permitting absentee members of local boards to vote if only a single session of an adjudicatory hearing is missed
10-4-2017	MGL c. 90, § 17C	Authorizes establishment of a speed limit of 25 mph in thickly settled and business districts
10-4-2017	MGL c. 90, § 18B	Authorizes establishment of a speed limit of 20 mph in certain safety zones
3-20-2018	Ch. 134, Acts of 2008	Extend through fiscal year 2021
5-29-2018	MGL c. 44, § 53F1/2	Establishing a stormwater fund as an enterprise fund